

Honolulu On The Move

Meeting Notes

Meeting Name: National Park Service EIS Comments Coordination
Date: 3/3/08 Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Alii Place
Organizer:
Attendees: Doug Lentz, NPS; Faith Miyamoto, RTD; Susan Robbins, RTD; Judy Aranda, RTD; Lawrence Spurgeon, PB
Notes prepared by: L. Spurgeon Approved by:

Meeting Summary:

- The Arizona Memorial has been combined with Oklahoma and Utah memorials and other sites, as well as sites in different states and Guam and is now designated as the *World War Two Valor in the Pacific National Monument*.
- Frank Hays will be local Point of Contact (PoC) for NPS. Likely, ~~Malie-Malia~~ Lane-Kamahele will have involvement replacing Doug Lentz who will be leaving on April 12th for a new position..
- Lawrence provided an update on selection of Airport Alternative, and station effects.
- Lawrence explained that EMF and Vibration would not be major issues. No commercial or industrial equipment should be affected. Lawrence explained that the noise and vibration would be similar or less than a dump truck traveling on King Kamehameha Highway.
- Noise and Visual were discussed – see action items. The new Visitors Center will largely be open air and may have an area designed for quiet contemplation, which therefore noise effects to the Visitors Center should be considered in the Project's noise analysis.
- Discussed traffic-parking concerns; Lawrence stated that the station would not be at the site; therefore, likely no spill-over parking issues. The closest station would be at the Aloha Stadium. It was discussed that this is too far for some visitors to walk and a shuttle or bus service would be needed.
- Doug suggested that RTD meet with the Pearl Harbor Historic Sites ~~Group~~.
- Lawrence provided an update on stations and the Section 106 and 4(f) process. Lawrence stated that an Effects Determination for the 106 process is currently underway with the SHPD. ~~Malie-Malia~~ and Elaine Jackson-Retondo are PoC on these issues.

~~NPS mentioned at first blush, the potential effects look reasonable, but that perspective is pending more complete review by the PoC.~~

- Lawrence provided a copy of the construction process appendix and described general construction activity with regard to lane closures. Doug expressed NPS' concerns about the construction schedule, and maintenance of traffic during construction. Ideally it would be outside of summer or other vacation seasons.. Fall or early spring (after New Years) would be best.

Comment [DAL1]: I would rather leave any official NPS comments on cultural resources to Malia and Elaine.

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- Lawrence said that there would always be at least one lane of traffic open in each direction and there would always be access to the WWII Valor in the Pacific NM parking. Discussed access mitigation during construction, may include additional busses.

The following summarizes action items:

PB to take noise readings and 2 to 3 photo simulations from within the National Monument. Will try to do field work between 16 and 19 of March.

NPS to provide locations of concern on a map.

NPS to provide a concept plan of new visitor center. PoC for construction of new center is Tom Fake.

RTD to contact Paul DePrey for Pearl Harbor Historic Sites (808.422.2771x114) to offer a project briefing. He is also PoC to coordinate field work access.

Doug will get contact information to Lawrence.